



## **HIIG ANNOUNCES THAT JON OPPENHEIM HAS JOINED HIIG CONSTRUCTION AS PRESIDENT & CHIEF UNDERWRITER**

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**Houston International Insurance Group (HIIG)** announced today that the Company has hired Jonathan W. Oppenheim as President and Chief Underwriting Officer of HIIG Construction reporting to Kevin Cunningham, Chief Executive Officer of the Division.

Mr. Oppenheim graduated from the University of Georgia with a bachelor's degree in Risk Management and Insurance and has been in the construction insurance industry for over 25 years. He was most recently Senior Vice President of the Old Republic Construction Program Group responsible for the underwriting of the Eastern Region.

Mr. Oppenheim commented, "I am thrilled to be part of the HIIG team and look forward to making a difference in the expansion of the Construction Division and the continued success of the Houston International Insurance Group."

Byron Way, Senior Vice President of HIIG, said, "Jon adds to the leadership of the Division and provides experience and a depth of knowledge that greatly enhances our expanded focus in the construction industry."

HIIG is an insurance holding company based in Houston, Texas with offices in Atlanta, GA; Birmingham, AL; Dallas, TX; Morristown, NJ; Oklahoma City, OK; and a representative office in London, England.

HIIG has underwriting Divisions focused on Construction; Energy; Professional Liability; Transactional Property; and other Specialty business.

HIIG has assets of more than \$1 billion and shareholders' equity of almost \$250 million. HIIG's insurance company subsidiaries consist of Houston Specialty Insurance Company, Imperium Insurance Company, Great Midwest Insurance Company, and Oklahoma Specialty Insurance Company. These insurance companies are rated A/A- (Excellent) by A.M. Best Company.

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